--In general, in still another aspect, the invention a method of controlling power flow between a multiphase grid and a system which includes a plurality of charge storage elements.

The method includes establishing non-zero initial conditions on the plurality of charge storage elements, and then transferring charge between the multiphase grid and the plurality of charge storage elements.--

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Once Amended) A system for controlling VAR of a multiphase grid, said system comprising:

a plurality of charge storage elements;

a plurality of charge transfer circuits each connected to a corresponding phase of the multiphase grid and to a corresponding one of the plurality of charge storage elements; and

a charge redistribution circuit connected to the plurality of charge storage elements, wherein during operation the charge redistribution circuit redistributes charge among the plurality of charge storage [devices] elements.

